

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
Akihiko OHTA et al. : **Mail Stop: PCT**
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WELDING METHOD USING WELDING
MATERIAL HAVING LOW TRANS-
FORMATION TEMPERATURE
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In the interest of compact prosecution, please amend the present application as follows:

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